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Garner to Testify on Rebuilding Efforts in Iraq

(Washington, DC) -- Congressman Christopher Shays (CT-4), Chairman of the Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, will convene an oversight hearing today to examine requirements for bringing humanitarian assistance and stability to Iraq. General (ret.) Jay M. Garner, former Director of the DOD Office of Reconstruction and Humanitarian Assistance in Iraq, will testify.

Garner provided a videotaped statement to the Subcommittee at the May 13, 2003 hearing. In the statement Garner outlined "Eleven Essential Tasks" that should, in his view, be completed by now in order to establish a positive "slope" towards success in Iraq.

The hearing will convene at 10:00 a.m. in room **2318** (House Committee on Science Hearing Room) of the Rayburn House Office Building in Washington, D.C.